

# Guiderail

# Ensuring Safety On Canadian Highways

The economics, versatility, and performance of Guiderail surpass all other roadside barrier systems. Guiderail provides highly-visible protection in all weather conditions helping to increase driver confidence. The Guiderail system absorbs the impact of out-of-control vehicles while guiding the vehicle to safer stops. Proven results and consistent material quality make steel Guiderail systems the right barrier choice.

#### **ARMTEC OFFERS**

Guiderail
W-Beam and Thrie Beam
Cable Rail
End Treatments
Wood or Steel Posts
Hardware
Custom Radiused Rails

# Guiderail is Safe, Reliable, and Cost Effective.

#### **Economics**

- · Low initial material costs
- Straightforward installation and uncomplicated repairs. When repairs are required, only damaged rail or posts need to be replaced. The remaining section of Guiderail still provides effective protection
- Routine maintenance is not required. Adjustment or tightening is not necessary during the service life of the barrier
- Systems can have a service life of 30 years or longer

### Versatility

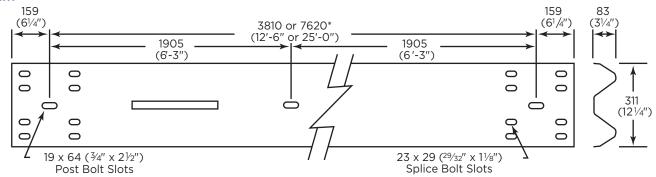
- Applications include parking lots, single and multi-lane highways, bridges and bridge approaches
- Guiderail systems can be tailored to any application
- Shop-manufactured rail can be radiused to fit convex and concave curves
- Rail systems can be designed with wood or steel posts and offset blocks
- Numerous end treatments are available to meet all design requirements and standards
- Post to rail ratios can be varied to meet safety requirements
- Rail thickness is available in 2.8mm (12ga) or 3.5mm (10ga)
- Standard lengths are 3.81m or 7.62m. Custom lengths are also available

#### Performance

- Minimizes accident severity and injuries when collisions
- Guides vehicle away from the hazard by the "ribbon effect" of the continuous guardrail during vehicle impact
- Thrie Beam guardrail provides an enhanced performance because of its larger face, which provides reduced deflections and improved resistance to vehicles overturning
- Meets AASHTO designation M180 specifications. All hardware and components are galvanized according to CSA G164 requirements

# Rail

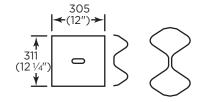
# W-Beam



Dimensions and Mechanical Properties (Uncoated)			
Thickness (mm)	2.67	3.43	
Beam width, minimum (mm)	305	305	
Beam depth, minimum (mm)	76	76	
Cross-sectional area (mm²)	1 297	1665	
Moment of inertia (mm <sup>4</sup> )	973 980	1 252 860	
Section modulus (mm³)	22 778	29 005	
Weight (approximate) (kg/m)	10.15	13.05	

Centre Punching			
3810mm	Spacing	7620mm	
8G	3810mm O.C.	58G	
9G	1905mm O.C.	60G	
11G	952mm O.C.	61G	

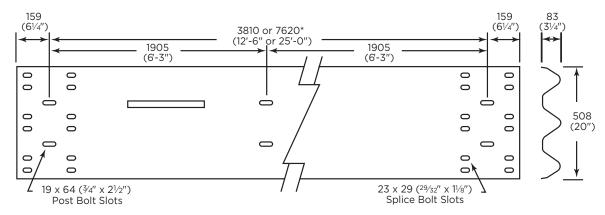
Back-Up Plate 3G



### NOTE:

- Tubular W-Beam Rail and Components available upon request
- · Order thicknesses is 2.8mm and 3.5mm respectively

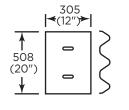
# Thrie-Beam



Dimensions and Mechanical Properties (Uncoated)			
Thickness (mm)	2.67	3.43	
Beam width, minimum (mm)	508	508	
Beam depth, minimum (mm)	76	76	
Cross-sectional area (mm²)	2013	2587	
Moment of inertia (mm <sup>4</sup> )	1 565 000	2 010 000	
Section modulus (mm³)	36 400	47 000	
Weight (approximate) (kg/m)	15.63	20.09	

Centre Punching			
3810mm	Spacing	7620mm	
208G	3810mm O.C.	58G	
209G	1905mm O.C.	60G	
211G	952mm O.C.	61G	

### Back-Up Plate 203G





### NOTE:

- Tubular W-Beam Rail and Components available upon request
- Order thicknesses is 2.8mm and 3.5mm respectively

# **End Section and Transitions**

Nominal Weight			
W-Beam	kg	lbs.	
901G (2.8mm)	8.2	18	
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926G (3.5mm)	10.0	22	
Thrie Beam	-	-	
950G (2.8mm)	13.2	24	
974G (2.8mm)	30.0	69	
975G (3.5mm)	16.8	37	
975G (3.5mm)	4.9	16	

Components are available in 2.8mm(12ga) or 3.5mm (10ga) as required (except where noted).

76 **→**(3")

305 (12")

83 (31/4")

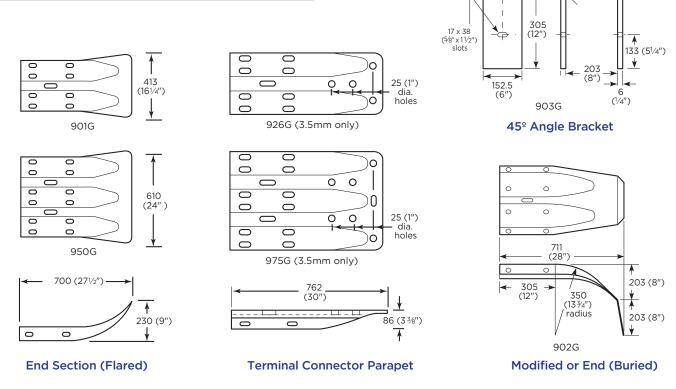
508 (20")

159

 $(6\frac{1}{4}'')$ 

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Transition Section from W-beam to Thrie Beam

1905 (6'-3")

952 (3'-1½") 952 (3'-1½")

All dimensions in millimeters (mm).

 $(12\frac{1}{4}'')$ 

83

 $(3\frac{1}{4}'')$ 

159

(61/4")

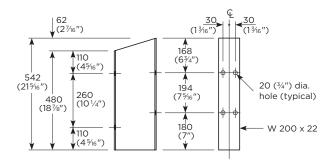
# **Posts and Offsets**

# 110 (45%e") THRIE BEAM GUARDRAIL 20 (34") dia. hole (typical) W 200 x 22 (7%" x 7%") OFFSET BLOCK 1970 (77 ½") W 150 x 14 POST

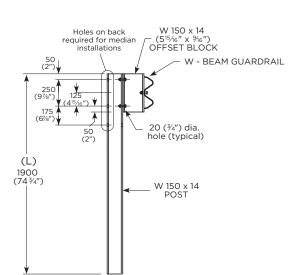
Typical Steel Post, AB

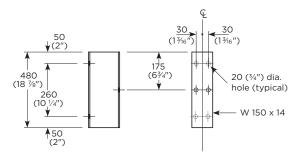
### NOTE:

Length (L) and hole punching varies per provincial specifications.



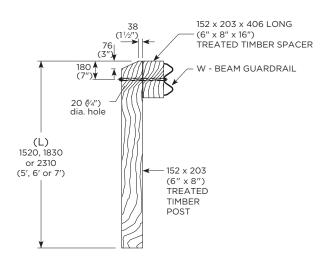
Thrie Beam Offset Block, AB



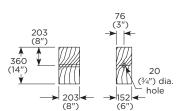


Standard Offset Block, ON

**Typical Steel Post, ON** 



180 (7") 554 194 (21½") (7½") 20 (¾") dia. hole (8")



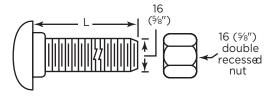
**Thrie Beam Spacer Block** 

W-Beam Spacer Block

All dimensions in millimeters (mm).

Typical Wood Post, AB

# **Fasteners**



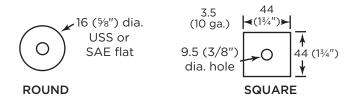
 $L = 32mm (\frac{1}{4}")$  Splice Bolt

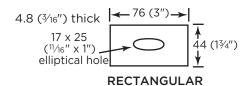
L = 51mm (2") Steel Post Bolt

L = 114mm (41/2")Rub Rail Post Bolt

L = 203mm (8"), 267mm (10½"), 406mm (16") or 457mm (18") Post Bolt

### **Button Head Bolts & Hex Nuts**

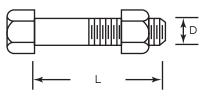




### Washers

Hardware is available hot-dip galvanized or mechanically galvanized.

Quantity	Multiply	Ву	To Obtain
Length	in	25.4	mm
	ft	0.3048	m
	yd	0.9144	m
	mi	1.609344	km
Area	in²	645.16	mm²
	ft²	0.092903	m²
	yd²	0.836127	m²
	mi²	2.590	km²
	acre	4046.87	m²
	acre	0.404687	ha
Volume	ft <sup>3</sup>	0.028317	m³
	yd³	0.764555	m³
	gal	3.785	L
	fl oz	29.574	mL
Mass/unit length	lb/ft	1.48816	kg/m
Mass/unit area	lb/ft²	4.88243	kg/m²



D = 8mm ( $\frac{5}{16}$ "), L = 44mm ( $\frac{13}{4}$ ")

D = 13mm ( $\frac{1}{2}$ "), L = 38mm ( $\frac{11}{2}$ ")

D = 16mm ( $\frac{5}{8}$ "), L = 38mm ( $\frac{11}{2}$ ")

D = 16mm ( $\frac{5}{8}$ "), L = 178mm (7") or 229mm (9")

D = 19mm ( $\frac{3}{4}$ "), 22mm ( $\frac{7}{8}$ "), 25mm (1") or 32mm ( $\frac{11}{4}$ ")

L = 203mm (8"), thru 457mm (18") (or longer)

### **Hex Head Bolts & Hex Nuts**

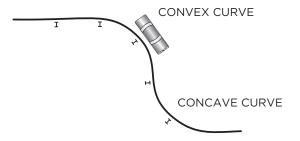
Quantity	Multiply	Ву	To Obtain
Mass	oz	28.35	g
	lb	0.453592	kg
	ton	0.907184	Mg
Density	lb/ft³	16.0185	kg/m³
Force	lb	4.44822	Ν
	kip	4.44822	kN
Pressure	psi	6.89476	kPa
	ksi	6.89476	MPa (N/mm²)
	lb/ft²	47.8803	Pa
Velocity	ft/s	0.3048	m/s
	mph	0.4470	m/s
	mph	1.6093	km/h
Torque	ft-lb	1.35582	N•m
Moment of Inertia	in⁴	416231	mm <sup>4</sup>
Section Modulus	in³	16387.064	mm³
Temperature	°F	5/9(ºF-32)	ºC

All dimensions in millimeters (mm).

# **Radius Guiderail Information**

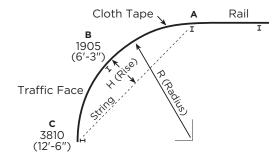
Rail sections to be installed on curves having a radius of 1.5m (5 feet) to 45.7m (150 feet) can be curved in our fabricating facilities before delivery.

Rail can be curved either convex or concave as required. Terms convex or concave refer to the direction curved, inward or outward, relative to the traffic face of the rail.



The diagrams and chart provide data for locating posts and curves. For assistance in determining the correct radius, please contact one of our offices.

### To find the Radius for a curved rail:



### STEP 1:

Starting at the last post in the straight run (point A), lay cloth tape along the path that the curved guide rail will follow.

### STEP 2:

Mark-off two points along the curved cloth tape: one at 1905mm (6'-3") (point B) and the second at 3810mm (12'-6") (point C).

#### STEP 3

Pull string directly from starting point (point A) to the second mark-off point (point C).

#### STEP 4

Measure from the first mark-off point (point B) over to the mid-point of the taut string. This measurement (H) is the Rise.

### STEP 5:

Check the chart to find the Radius (R), given the Rise (H). Example: a Rise of 102mm (4 inches) would result in a Radius of 18.3m (60 feet).

Rise	(H)	Radiu	ıs (R)
mm	inches	m	feet
1041	41	1.5	5
914	36	1.8	6
711	28	2.4	8
660	26	2.7	9
559	22	3.1	10
508	20	3.7	12
457	18	4.0	13
406	16	4.6	15
356	14	4.9	16
295	11 <sup>5</sup> /8	6.1	20
241	9 1/2	7.6	25
197	7 3/4	9.1	30
171	6 <sup>3</sup> /4	10.7	35
152	6	12.2	40
133	5 1/4	13.7	45
117	4 <sup>5</sup> /8	15.2	50
108	4 1/4	16.8	55
102	4	18.3	60
92	3 <sup>5</sup> /8	19.8	65
86	3 3/8	21.3	70
83	3 1/4	22.9	75
76	3	24.4	80
70	2 3/4	25.9	85
67	2 <sup>5</sup> /8	27.4	90
64	2 1/2	29.0	95
60	2 <sup>3</sup> /8	30.5	100
54	2 1/8	33.5	110
51	2	36.6	120
44	1 <sup>3</sup> /4	39.6	130
41	1 <sup>5</sup> /8	42.7	140
38	1 <sup>1</sup> /2	45.7	150

#### NOTE:

Follow the steps left for each piece of rail section in the curved run. The arc may not be consistent, and each consecutive piece of rail may differ in radius from the previous one.

All dimensions in millimeters (mm).





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